OPINION 931

ATTUS OBSCURUS TACZANOWSKI, 1872 (ARANEAE): REFUSAL TO SUPPRESS UNDER THE PLENARY POWERS

RULING.—The use of the plenary powers to suppress the specific name *obscurus* Taczanowski, 1872, as published in the binomen *Attus obscurus*, is hereby refused.

HISTORY OF THE CASE (Z.N.(S.) 1770)

The present case was submitted to the office of the Commission by Dr. Maria Elena Galiano in July 1966. Dr. Galiano's application was sent to the printer on 16 August 1966 and was published on 20 December 1966 in *Bull. zool. Nomencl.* **23** : 255. Public Notice of the possible use of the plenary powers in the present case was given in the same part of the *Bulletin* as well as to the other prescribed serial publications (Constitution Art. 12b; *Bull. zool. Nomencl.* **21** : 184). An objection was received from Dr. J. Prószyński and Dr. W. Staręga (*Bull. zool. Nomencl.* **26** : 9).

DECISION OF THE COMMISSION

On 28 August 1969 the Members of the Commission were invited to vote under the Three-Month Rule on Voting Paper (69)48 either for or against the proposals set out in *Bull. zool. Nomencl.* **23** : 255. At the close of the prescribed voting period on 28 November 1969 the state of the voting was as follows:

Affirmative votes—four (4), received in the following order: China, Bonnet, Evans, Forest.

Negative votes—nineteen (19): Holthuis, Melville, Mayr, Vokes, do Amaral, Simpson, Starobogatov, Lemche, Obruchev, Eisenmann, Tortonese, Jaczewski, Brinck, Mertens, Binder, Ride, Alvarado, Sabrosky, Kraus

Voting Papers not returned—one (1): Munroe

CERTIFICATE

We certify that the votes cast on Voting Paper (69)48 were cast as set out above, that the proposal contained in that Voting Paper has not been adopted, and that the decision so taken, being the decision of the International Commission, is truly recorded in the present Opinion No. 931.

R. V. MELVILLE
Secretary

W. E. CHINA
Assistant Secretary

International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature
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